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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Please allow small local internet exchange services to continue to receive access to large carrier copper lines per the 1996 Telecommunication agreement by denying the petition filed by USTelecom in May of this year, 2018.

We have been customers of Sonic located in Santa Rosa, CA. and switched to them because they provide unthrottled DSL service (the maximum speeds our copper line based internet connection is physically capable of) with exceptional and prompt customer service at a lower price than offered by ATT which, at a higher price offered only "throttled" service artificially limited to under half the speed and provided exceptionally unresponsive customer service when we required it.

Sonic also is investing in fiber installation that will provide substantially faster service however their ability to operated will be eliminated if the USTelecom petition is granted, leaving us with only one viable phone company based internet provider who offers service inferior to Sonics.

Regards,

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